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Wallops Mission 2000 Plan Unveiled



Geoff Bland (right) discusses remotely piloted vehicles with (left to right) NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin, Senators Barbara Mikulski and Paul Sarbanes and Congressmen Herb Bateman and Wayne Gilchrest during a tour of Wallops Mission 2000 activities on July 21. Photo by Tom Burton.

Wallops Mission 2000, a road map guiding the facility into the next century, was unveiled by NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin and Congressional members representing Virginia and Maryland to a packed house on July 21.

During the one-hour employee gathering, Goldin, joined by Senators Barbara Mikulski and Paul Sarbanes, Congressmen Herb Bateman and Wayne Gilchrest, Navy Commander Richard White, Virginia Spaceport Executive Director Billie Reed, and Goddard Director Joe Rothenberg, praised the work conducted by the Wallops employees and emphasized the important role Wallops will play in the future of NASA.

Employees who did not receive a copy of the Wallops Mission 2000 Implementation Plan can pick one up in the Public Affairs Office, Bldg. F-6, Room 108.

Mission 2000 Logo Contest

Goddard Director Joe Rothenberg announced a logo contest at the conclusion of the employee Mission 2000 unveiling on July 21. Following are the basic guidelines for the contest.

1. The contest is open to NASA Wallops civil servant and contractor employees and on-site partner employees.
2. The theme should center around the Wallops Mission 2000.
3. The deadline for submissions to the Public Affairs Office is close-of-business August 15.
4. The submissions will be displayed in the cafeteria and voted on by employees on August 20. The top four vote-getters will be sent to Greenbelt graphics to be placed on an even artistic level and NASA graphic standards.
5. Employees will vote on the final four in mid-September.

NOTE: Never modify the NASA insignia (meatball) in any way — whether by adding, eliminating or otherwise changing design elements.

If you have any questions concerning the logo contest, call the Public Affairs Office at x1584.

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Dear Mr. Wessells:

I wish to offer my sincere thanks to you and members of the civil service and contractor team for the rapid action taken as a result of the recent Mir/Progress docking incident. Your contribution in providing vital communications services was instrumental in ensuring crew safety and resolution of the Mir status. Your "can do" response was in the finest tradition of NASA's communications services.

General Director Koptev of the Russian Space Agency expressed his appreciation for your services in a recent conversation. I wholeheartedly join him in thanking the entire team that made it possible.

Sincerely,

Daniel S. Goldin
Administrator

cc:
M. J. Harris

Visitor Center August Events

August 2 and 16 - Model Rocket Launches

A model rocket launch will be held at 1 p.m. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

Daily - "Puppets in Space"

A 10-minute puppet show, "Puppets in Space", will be presented at 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight, including the space suit. Following the puppet show, Visitor Center staff will demonstrate the space suit and answer questions from the audience.

Daily - "Space Ace"

Children 5-10 years old can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph during their Visitor Center experience by completing an activity sheet.

Sundays - "Humans in Space"

"Humans in Space" is the subject of a 1 p.m. program for children of all ages. The 30-minute program looks at living and working in space, including a review of the astronauts' culinary delights and their wardrobe. The program is followed by a hands-on children's activity during which children have the opportunity to create their own "space helmet."

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family, friends and co-workers of
Darrell Glen Gross
who died July 21, 1997 in an automobile accident near Snow Hill, MD. Gross was employed by H & H Consolidated, Inc. as an A/C mechanic.

Saturday Youth Program Has Successful Year

The Wallops EO Advisory Committee Saturday Youth Program has just completed a very successful year. Volunteers provided not only time but materials and information for the activities the children were involved in. According to Linda Thompson, this helped immensely in making it easier to set up and build experiments and projects.

The EO Advisory Committee would like to thank the Morale Activities Committee and the Black History Club for contributions that made it possible to provide lunch for each session and to the following employees who volunteered their time to work with the children: Felipe Arroyo, Mike Bundick, Sharone Corbin, Mark Cording, John Dickerson, John Hickman, Rock Hilmoie, Chuck Jacobs, Lisa Johnson, Gerry McIntire and Greg Smith.



Wallops firefighters Bert LeCato (left) and Joe Colona (center) demonstrate to Arnold Torres (right) and others the differences in the old and new acquired ambulance units. (PAO digital photo)

Fire Department Gets New Ambulances

The Wallops Fire Department has recently received two new state of the art ambulance units that will help provide increased levels of care in the pre-hospital environment.

The new ambulances are modular ambulances on a 1997 Chevrolet chassis. The four-wheel drive, diesels manufactured by Wheel Coach, are the only units on the Eastern Shore with the capability to be used in inclement weather and in any type of terrain.

The units offer more equipment storage, an advanced patient care

compartment which can accommodate advanced life support equipment and offer Emergency Medical Technicians more room to work with the patient.

One of the new ambulances will be placed in service on the Main Base and the other on the Island. The older units are being retired.

Chief Joe Conaty would like to extend an invitation to employees to see the new ambulances at either the station on the Main Base or the Island and meet the firefighters who will be using them.

For Sale

The Morale Activities Committee has an organ for sale, \$25. For further info call x1411.

The Thrift Savings Plan Open Season closes July 31, 1997.

Tailgate Yard Sale

There will be a Tailgate Yard Sale August 13 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sellers will be selling "yard sale" type items from the trunks of their cars in the parking lot in front of Bldg E-104. Call Vorie Thomas, x1394, to reserve a free spot.

Leave regulations apply if your participation extends beyond your normal lunch break.

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